



1528 Farmington Avenue

1910

The Berlin Grange

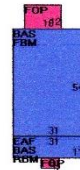
1985 Townwide Historic and Architectural Survey of Berlin, Connecticut. Survey # 037

1910 The Berlin Grange present owners: Berlin Grange

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1914 present owner: Worthington School for young children

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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES
 HIST-6 NEW 5/77

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY			
Town No.:		Site No.:	
UTM	:	:	:
QUAD:	:	:	:
DISTRICT		IF NR. SPECIFY	
☐ S	☐ NR	☐ Actual	☐ Potential

IDENTIFICATION		DESCRIPTION	
1. BUILDING NAME (Common)		1. BUILDING NAME (Historic)	
Berlin Grange		Berlin Grange	
2. TOWN CITY	VILLAGE	COUNTY	
Berlin		Hartford	
3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)		16-1/104/10	
1528 Farmington Avenue			
4. OWNER(S)		Public ☐ Private ☒	
Berlin Grange, Inc. " " Berlin 06037			
5. USE (Present)		5. USE (Historic)	
Grange Hall		Grange Hall	
6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: ☒ Yes ☐ No		6. EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD: ☒ Yes ☐ No	
		6. INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE: ☒ Yes ☐ No	
		IF YES, EXPLAIN	
7. STYLE OF BUILDING		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION	
Vernacular		c. 1910	
8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)			
☐ Clapboard ☐ Asbestos Siding ☒ Brick foundation ☐ Other (Specify) _____ ☒ Wood Shingle ☐ Asphalt Siding ☐ Fieldstone ☐ Board & Batten ☐ Stucco ☐ Cobblestone ☐ Aluminum Siding ☐ Concrete Type: _____ ☐ Cut stone Type: _____			
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM			
☒ Wood frame ☐ Post and beam ☐ balloon ☐ Load bearing masonry ☐ Structural iron or steel ☐ Other (Specify) _____			
10. ROOF (Type)			
☒ Gable ☐ Flat ☐ Mansard ☐ Monitor ☐ sawtooth ☐ Gambrel ☐ Shed ☐ Hip ☐ Round ☐ Other (Specify) _____			
(Material)			
☐ Wood Shingle ☐ Roll Asphalt ☐ Tin ☐ Slate ☒ Gable end to the street ☒ Asphalt shingle ☐ Built up ☐ Tile ☐ Other (Specify) _____ ☐ Ridge parallel to the street			
11. NUMBER OF STORIES		APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS	
1 1/2		31' x 65'	
12. CONDITION (Structural)			
☐ Excellent ☒ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated ☐ Excellent ☒ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated			
13. INTEGRITY (Location)			
☒ On original site ☐ Moved ☐ WHEN? ☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ IF YES, EXPLAIN			
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES			
☐ Barn ☐ Shed ☐ Garage ☐ Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) _____ ☐ Carriage house ☐ Shop ☐ Garden			
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT			
☐ Open land ☐ Wood-land ☒ Residential ☐ Scattered buildings visible from site ☐ Commercial ☐ Indus-trial ☐ Rural ☒ High building density			
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS			
In neighborhood of late 19th/early 20th century homes next to World War I monument.			

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DESCRIPTION	17 OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)	
	The Berlin Grange has a raised brick basement. The three-bay facade has a central entry protected by a flat-roofed entry portico on Tuscan columns. Double front entry doors are original, with small panes over panels. Portico and wood steps have a square rail and balusters. Windows have plain board surrounds and are fitted with 6-over-1 sash; smaller paired windows are found in the attic story. A plain face rafter on small kneebraces is found on the gable front.	
SIGNIFICANCE	18 ARCHITECT	BUILDER
	19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE Built in 1915, this building is significant as the home of a popular social organization, the Grange or Patrons of Husbandry. Though now largely a fraternal and service organization, the Grange had its roots in late 19th century agrarian protest movements. The Berlin Grange is thus an important reminder of the town's agricultural past. Though it is not a high-styled building, it is an attractive vernacular structure with nearly all of the original material in place. The Tuscan-columned porch shows the influence of the Colonial Revival style; the plain face rafter is an echo of the ubiquitous carved vergeboard of the Victorian era, still found in this vestigial form as late as the 1930's.	
SOURCES	Berlin Land Records 54:147(1914)	
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20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS		
THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE ☒ None known ☐ Highways ☐ Vandalism ☐ Developers ☐ Other _____ ☐ Renewal ☐ Private ☐ Deterioration ☐ Zoning ☐ Explanation _____		

